

How do you Determine Truth?

Writing Response Directions: Respond to the quotes and ideas below. Synthesize your ideas into a short essay about truth. You may also include details from your own life experiences. You may also cite the quotes provided in your writing.

Requirements: Your response must be a minimum of 2 paragraphs, 1 – 1 ½ pages double spaced, MLA format. Submit this to schoology.com by Midnight on Sunday, 5/10/15.

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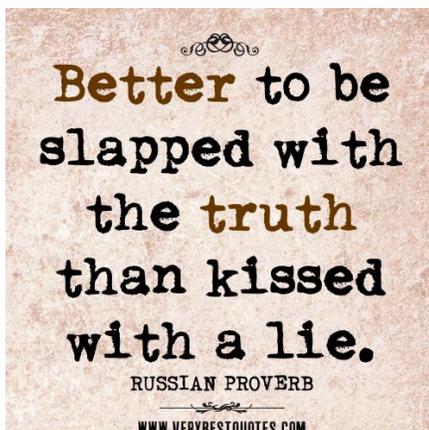
- Inmate 1: The prosecutor said I was lying. I wanted to ask her what she expected me to do when telling the truth was going to get me 10 years.
- Inmate 1: What's the truth? Anybody in here knows what the truth is? I don't know what the truth is! Only truth I know is I don't want to be in here with you ugly dudes.
- Steve: truth is truth. It's what you know to be right.
- Inmate 2: Nah! Truth is something you gave up when you were out there on the street. Now you talking survival. . .
- Inmate 1: You get up on the witness stand and the prosecutor talks about looking for truth when they really mean the looking for a way to stick you under the jail.

TRUTH IS SO OBSCURE IN
THESE TIMES, AND
FALSEHOOD SO
ESTABLISHED, THAT,
UNLESS WE LOVE THE
TRUTH, WE CANNOT
KNOW IT.

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Other Quotes & Questions:

- What is truth?
- How does truth evolve?
- "Intense feeling too often obscures the truth" – Harry Truman
- "Our ability to manufacture fraud now exceeds our ability to detect it." – Viktor Taransky
- "A study by the Pewl & American Life Project reveals that only 25% of those who search the internet for health topics check the source and date of the information to assess its quality." – Source: Does it Really Matter?



- When should you tell the truth?
- "Copernicus was the first to suggest that the earth and planets revolve around the sun – a theory supported by Galileo, Johannes Kepler, and Isaac Newton. Copernicus, however, delayed publishing his findings so as not to incur the wrath of the Catholic church. Unlike Galileo, whose championing of the heliocentric view of the universe led him to being denounced during the Roman Inquisition" – Vatican Observatory 1985